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## **SHERIFF HONOR SIGNS IN THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS (ITEM NO. 10, AGENDA OF JULY 26, 2016)**

On July 26, 2016, the Board directed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in consultation with the Association of the Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs (ALADS), to report back with funding options for the costs associated with the installation of Sheriff's Honor signs in the County of Los Angeles (County) unincorporated areas.

### **Program Description**

The Sheriff's Honor signs program would honor the contributions of 23 identified individual officers who have died in the line of duty while protecting and serving the County's unincorporated communities. The memorial sign project would honor the fallen Sheriff's officers by erecting honorary street signs with officers' names at or near locations where the officers were killed.

### **Installation Costs**

The CEO, ALADS, the Sheriff Department (Sheriff) and Department of Public Works (DPW) explored two cost options for the fabrication and installation of signs. The first option is for DPW to fabricate and install the signs. The design of DPW signs is limited to the parameters, size and blue color, of current sign production. The second option is for a third party vendor to fabricate and install the signs. Signs designed by a third party vendor allow for more flexibility related to shapes, sizes and use of the Sheriff's color scheme, thereby avoiding confusion with street and other agencies signs (which is typically a color scheme of blue). Attached are sample signs illustrating the difference in design options available by DPW and a third party vendor. The following provides a breakdown of the cost for each option:

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Cost Description	#	DPW		Third Party	
		Cost/Unit	Total	Cost/Unit	Total
Time & Materials	23	\$600	\$13,800	\$550	\$12,650
Traffic Engineering Review	23	\$600	\$13,800	\$600	\$13,800
Issuance/Processing Permit Fee	1	n/a	n/a	\$430	\$ 430
Inspection Cost (Deposit)*	23	n/a	n/a	\$300	\$ 6,900
<b>TOTAL**</b>			<b>\$27,600</b>		<b>\$33,780</b>

\* Amount deposited above cost will be returned to customer.

\*\* All costs are estimates.

The total estimated cost for DPW to fabricate and install 23 signs is \$27,600. The cost for fabrication, installation, and traffic engineering review of each sign location cannot be waived unless the Board office will allow the use of their discretionary funds. With respect to the maintenance of the signs, if DPW fabricates and installs the signs, DPW will be responsible for their upkeep, but not for replacements. Additional funding will need to be made available for replacement signs. The design of signs fabricated by DPW will be limited to the parameters, size and blue color, of their current sign production.

The total estimated cost for the third party vendors to fabricate and install 23 signs is \$33,780. DPW's permit and inspection requirements add to the cost of the third party vendor option. The fees associated with the traffic engineering review, permit issuance/processing and inspection cannot be waived. Inspection costs are estimated at \$300 per location; however, only the actual costs incurred by DPW will be charged to the vendor. All amounts deposited above the estimated cost will be returned to the vendor. The Sheriff will be responsible for all maintenance and replacement costs for any damaged signs. Using a third party vendor allows the Sheriff flexibility in the selection of colors and shapes/sizes when compared to the DPW alternative.

For both options, DPW will be responsible for the review and approval of the proposed locations prior to permit issuance and installation; but will work cooperatively with the Sheriff and selected vendor to do so. DPW recommends that the signs be installed at intersections, and/or mid-block, on new poles, or suitable existing County controlled poles.

The third party vendor option will require a formal solicitation for the fabrication and installation of the signs. It is anticipated that the solicitation will take approximately 60 days.

**Funding Options**

One-time Net County Cost in the amount of \$33,780 has been identified to fund the third party vendor option. This option allows for more flexibility related to shapes, sizes, and use of the Sheriff's color scheme as illustrated in option two of the attached sample.

The cost estimates have been developed with ALADS, Sheriff, and DPW. The CEO, as always, is ready to facilitate the implementation of a Sheriff's Honor Sign Program as directed by the Board.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Sheila Williams, Public Safety, at (213) 974-1155.

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Attachment

c:     Executive Office, Board of Supervisors  
       Sheriff  
       Association of the Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs  
       County Counsel  
       Public Works

OPTION 1 SAMPLE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TYPE A SNS

5" County Logo

25" BRUSH455BT

*Florence Firestone*8600S

3"C

6"C UC  
4.5"C LC

0.187"D

\*48"x16", .080 Alum, Single face, Type XI Reflective Sheeting  
Blue with White Lettering, Premium Protective Overlay Film

\*Length varies based on length of text.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TYPE B SNS

4.5"C UC  
3.375"C LC

Speedway Dr  
8600S

3.0"C UC  
2.25"C LC

2"C


0.187"D

\*36"x10", .080 Alum, Single face, Type XI Reflective Sheeting  
Blue with White Lettering, Premium Protective Overlay Film

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OPTION 2 SAMPLE: THIRD PARTY VENDOR

LOS ANGELES COUNTY



SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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DEPUTY JOHN DOE ABCDEFGH

KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY 01/01/2000

Black

C90M40Y81K37

C20M30Y90K0

C15M8Y32K0